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This collection of papers examines, from an international perspective, opportunities and challenges of societal bilingualism in the new millennium. The 18 papers include the following: "Introduction: Opportunities and Challenges of Bilingualism" (Li Wei, Jean-Marc Dewaele, and Alex Housen); "`Holy Languages' in the Context of Societal Bilingualism" (Joshua A. Fishman); "Forlorn Hope?" (John Edwards); "When Languages Disappear, are Bilingual Education or Human Rights a Cure? Two Scenarios" (Tove Skutnabb-Kangas); "Core Values and Nation-States" (J.J. Smolicz); "French Language Policy: Centrism, Orwellian `Dirigisme,' or Economic Determinism" (Harold F. Schiffman); "The Non-Linearity of Language Maintenance and Language Shift: Survey Data from European Language Boundaries" (Peter H. Nelde and Peter Weber); "Language Shift Among Siberian Estonians: Pro and Contra" (Juri Viikberg); "On Attitudes Towards Croatian Dialects and On Their Changing Status" (Damir Kalogjera); "Ethnolects: Between Bilingualism and Urban Dialect" (Wolfgang Wolck); "The Development of Navajo-English Bilingualism" (Bernard Spolsky); "Language Ideology, Ownership and Maintenance: The Discourse of the `Academic Mayor de la Lengua Quechua'" (Tim Marr); "Xhosa as a `Home Appliance'? A Case Study of Language Shift in Grahamstown" (Vivian de Klerk); "Japan's Nascent Multilingualism" (Florian Coulmas and Makoto Watanabe); "Managing Multilingualism in Singapore" (Xu Daming and Li Wei); "Managing Languages at Bilingual Universities: Relationships Between Universities and Their Language Environment" (Bjorn H. Jernudd); "Using Descriptive Inquiry to Transform the Education of Linguistically Diverse U.S. Teachers and Students" (Ofelia Garcia and Cecelia Traugh); and "Changing Paradigms in the Study of Bilingualism" (William F. Mackey). (Papers contain references.) (SM)

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